

July 15th

# Martyrs Kyrikos & His Mother Julitta of Tarsus

## Stichera at the Praises

Byzantine Chant Tone 8  
Special melody: *O strange wonder*

Adapted by Dn. John El Massih  
from various sources



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1) O strange won - der! How that haugh - ty mind, that an - cient

ser - pent and fiend, and the drag - on that

G↓ C G↓

spawned all ill, hath been hurled up - on the ground

C

and is tram - pled and thrashed to dust by a small

G↓

three - year - old in his moth - er's arms,

C

who hath been strength - ened by Christ with might di - vine

and with a man - ly mind think - eth noth - ing of the

Un. G↓

ev - er - schem - ing foe, as a strength - less spar - row

C

mocked and made ri - dic - u - lous.

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2) Mar - tyr Ju - lit - ta most glo - ri - ous, thou hast been  
 right - ly set forth as a great and il -  
 - lus - tri - ous pat - tern of true pi - e - ty  
 un - to moth - ers of up - right mind. For when thou  
 saw - est the child thy womb had born  
 con - test - ing with thee and bap - tized in his blood,  
 thou most cou - ra - geous - ly bar - est sharp ma - ter - nal  
 rend - ings for Christ's sake; with Whom as thou reign - est  
 as a queen, re - mem - ber us.

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3) At your en - dur - ance and brav - er - y, the ho - ly

An - gels were awed, de - mons quaked with ex -

- ceed - ing fear, and thē i - dols' cham - pi - ons,

in their fight a - gainst God Him - self, stood up a -

- gainst you with mal - ice and de - spite,

but fell back bro - ken in shame and full de - feat.

Where fore, on rais - ing up shin - ing tro - phies in your

fight for pi - e - ty, ye were crowned by Christ with

di - a - dems of vic - to - ry.